WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A disc roll comprising:

a plurality of annular disc members each defining a hole and having a peripheral surface; and

a rotary shaft fitted into the holes of said annular disc members by insertion, whereby the peripheral surfaces of said disc members serve as a conveying surface of the disc roll,

wherein said disc members have a compression deformation rate of 0.05 to 0.3 mm under a load of 10 kgf/cm.

- 2. The disc roll according to claim 1, wherein said disc members contain an inorganic fiber in an amount of 20 to 40% by weight based on the total weight of said disc members and have voids of 30 to 70% by volume.
- 3. The disc roll according to claim 2, wherein said disc members contain mica in an amount of 20 to 50% by weight based on the total weight of said disc members.
- 4. A method for producing a disc roll, comprising the steps of:

forming into a plate form a slurry raw material containing an inorganic fiber in an amount of 20 to 40% by weight to obtain a disc member base material;

stamping out a plurality of annular disc members each defining a hole and having a peripheral surface, from said disc member base material; and

fitting said plurality of annular disc members on a rotary shaft by insertion through the holes and fixing said disc members thereon to obtain a disc roll.

- 5. The method according to claim 4, wherein said formation of the disc member base material is conducted by a paper-making process.
- 6. The method according to claim 4, wherein said slurry raw material contains in an amount of 3 to 15% by weight a material which is burnt off by heat applied at the time of burning or upon use.
- 7. A plate-shaped disc member base material, having a compression deformation rate of 0.05 to 0.3 mm under a load of 10 kgf/cm.
- 8. The disc member base material according to claim7, containing an inorganic fiber in an amount of 20 to 40%

by weight based on the weight of said disc member base material and have voids of 30 to 70% by volume.

9. The disc member base material according to claim 7, containing mica in an amount of 20 to 50% by weight based on the weight of said disc member base material.

10. A disc roll comprising:

a plurality of annular disc members each defining a hole and having a peripheral surface; and

a rotary shaft fitted into the holes of said annular disc members by insertion, whereby the peripheral surfaces of said disc members serve as a conveying surface of the disc roll,

wherein said disc members comprise an inorganic fiber, mica and a clay having a content of particle components that have a particle size of 5 μ m or larger of not higher than 30% by weight based on the weight of the clay.

- 11. The disc roll according to claim 10, wherein said mica is muscovite.
- 12. The disc roll according to claim 10, wherein said inorganic fiber is present in an amount of 5 to 40%

by weight based on the total weight of said disc members, and said clay is present in an amount of 5 to 55% by weight based on the total weight of said disc members.

- 13. The disc roll according to claim 10, wherein said mica is present in an amount of 5 to 60% by weight based on the total weight of the disc member.
- 14. A method for producing a disc roll, comprising the steps of:

forming into a plate form a slurry raw material to obtain a disc member base material, said slurry raw material comprising an inorganic fiber, mica and a clay containing particle components that have a particle size of 5 μ m or larger in an amount of 30% by weight or less based on the weight of the clay;

stamping out a plurality of annular disc members each defining a hole and having a peripheral surface, from said disc member base material; and

fitting said plurality of annular disc members on a rotary shaft by insertion through the holes and fixing said disc members thereon to obtain a disc roll.

- 15. The method according to claim 14, wherein said formation of the disc member base material is conducted by a paper-making process.
- 16. A plate-shaped disc member base material comprising an inorganic fiber, mica and a clay having a content of particle components that have a particle size of 5 μ m or larger of not higher than 30% by weight based on the weight of the clay.
- 17. The disc member base material according to claim 16, wherein said mica is muscovite.
- 18. The disc member base material according to claim 16, wherein said inorganic fiber is present in an amount of 5 to 40% by weight based on the weight of said disc member base material, and said clay is present in an amount of 5 to 55% by weight based on the weight of said disc member base material.
- 19. The disc member base material according to claim 16, wherein said mica is present in an amount of 5 to 60% by weight based on the weight of the disc member base material.